VETOES

BILLS PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF 1952 AND VETOED BY GOVERNOR McKELDIN AND HIS REASONS IN EACH CASE FOR THE SAME¹

THE TOTAL NUMBER OF BILLS VETOED IS 11

ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE

March 27, 1952

Honorable George W. Della President of the Senate State House Annapolis, Maryland

Dear Mr. President:

Senate Bill No. 52 was designed to give the United States jurisdiction over certain land used in connection with the military reservation known as the Andrews Air Force Base, and was submitted to the Honorable Hall Hammond, Attorney General, for his opinion as to its form and legal sufficiency.

In Mr. Hammond's opinion, the language of the Bill is very general, since it not only gives the United States exclusive jurisdiction over approximately forty-four acres in Prince George's County now used in connection with Andrews Air Force Base, but adds "and to the acquisition of such additional land as may be required for use as a part of said military reservation."

¹ Under Section 17 of Article 2 of the Constitution, as amended by Chapter 714 of the Acts of 1949, which was approved at the November election, 1950, all bills vetoed by the Governor after the adjournment of the Legislature must be returned to the House in which they originated immediately after said House shall have been organized at the next Regular or Special Session of the General Assembly and may then be reconsidered in the same manner as in case of bills vetoed during the Session. Two of the vetoed bills were returned to the 1952 General Assembly, as indicated by footnote under the appropriate veto messages.